THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Friday, the 18th November 1949.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at eleven of the clock, the Deputy President (THE HON. SRI K. VENKATASWAMI NAYUDU) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Treatment of Sri M. Muthuswami, a member of the Coimbatore Municipal Council, who died in the hospital.

* 32 Q.—JANAB ABDUL LATIF FAROOKHI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a copy of the resolution passed by the Coimbatore Municipal Council demanding enquiry regarding the indifference and apathy shown by the doctors on duty in the hospital in connexion with the treatment of Sri M. Muthuswami, a member of the said Council, who died in the hospital after being suddenly taken ill at the meeting of the Council on 16th August 1949; and

(*b*) if so, what action the Government have taken on that resolution?

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" (*a*) Yes.

"(*b*) A preliminary enquiry was made by the District Medical Officer and although it indicated that the allegations were not correct, the Surgeon-General has been asked to have a regular enquiry held and to report to Government."

JANAB ABDUL LATIF FAROOKHI :—" May I know, Sir, when this enquiry is to be held? "

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN :—" It is to be held by the Surgeon-General."

Issue of a Press Note drawing attention to rule 26 of the Government Servants' Conduct Rules.

* 31 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Premier be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Government have issued a Press Note drawing attention to rule 26 of the Government Servants' Conduct Rules;

(*b*) if so, the reasons which necessitated the issue of the Press Note;

(*c*) whether the rule referred to in clause (*a*) is intended only in regard to " Promotions of Government servants " as the heading indicates or whether it is applicable to other cases as well;